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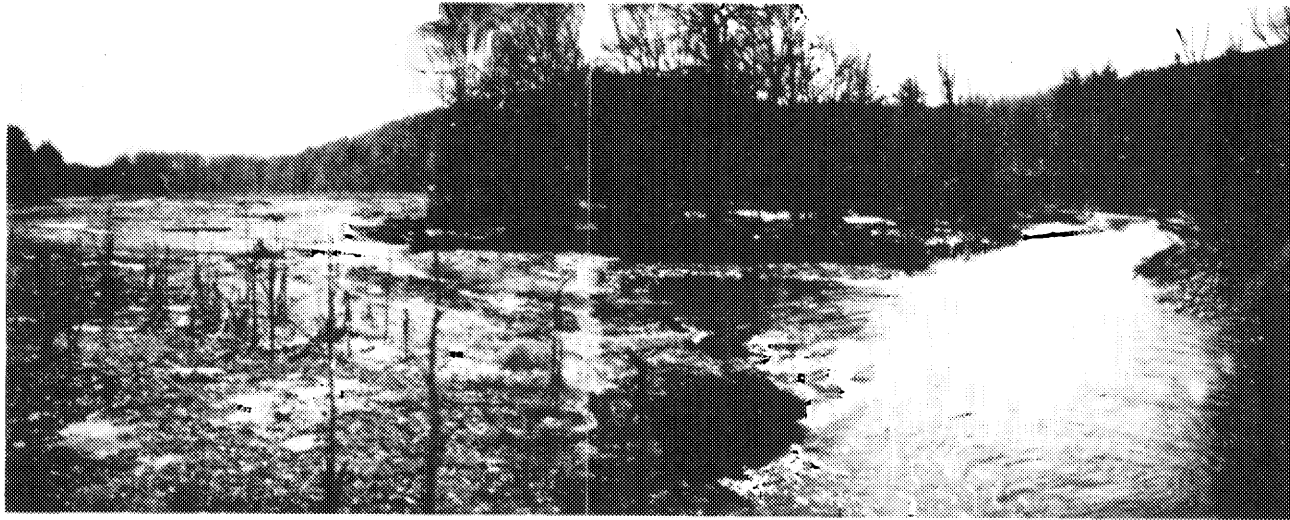
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FOREWORD

The successful functioning of the Flood Protection Works is not assured solely by construction of a stone protected dike along the river bank. If the system is to perform the functions for which it was designed, it must be carefully maintained during periods of normal river stages and properly operated during flood periods.

The need for proper maintenance cannot be too highly stressed in view of the fact that large damages may be incurred through operating failure of a critical element in flood time, caused by deterioration or damage that would have been eliminated by proper maintenance.

Necessary maintenance and proper operation require that responsible local persons have a thorough understanding of the functions of the various units of the system and the recommended methods of maintaining the system and operating it during flood emergencies. It is the purpose of this manual to provide complete information so that all parties may fully understand their responsibilities in maintaining and operating the flood protection system in accordance with the regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Army as amplified by this manual.

The general flood control Regulations for Maintenance and Operation of Flood Control Works quoted herein were approved by the Acting Secretary of War on 9 August 1944. Upon establishment of the Department of Defense, the improvement of rivers and harbors and other waterways for flood control and other purposes, formerly under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of War, became the responsibility of the Secretary of the Army. Reference therein to the Secretary of War and War Department shall be construed to mean, respectively, the Secretary of the Army and the Department of the Army. Where reference is made to the District Engineer in the Regulations included in this manual, it shall be construed to mean the Division Engineer, New England Division, Corps of Engineers.

SECTION I

INTRODUCTION

1. AUTHORIZATION

Construction of the existing emergency bank protection project at Hillsdale, New York and Alford, Massachusetts, was authorized by the Chief of Engineers on June 5, 1974 pursuant to authority contained in Section 14 of the 1946 Flood Control Act, as amended.

2. LOCATION

The project is located in the Town of Hillsdale, New York on a sharp bend in the Green River just west of the Massachusetts State Line and adjacent to Massachusetts - New York Route 71. The Town of Alford, Massachusetts, is located in Berkshire County, adjacent to the New York-Massachusetts State line about 43 miles west of Springfield, Massachusetts. The Green River flows from New York State in a general southeasterly direction for a distance of about 12 miles to its confluence with the Housatonic River at Great Barrington, Massachusetts.

3. DESCRIPTION OF DAMAGE

During the flood of 30 June 1973 about one quarter mile of Massachusetts Route 71 was inundated with three feet of water for up to 36 hours duration and erosion of the shoulders and pavement took place. Subsequent lesser flooding of the roadway occurred on 29 October 1973 and 23 December 1973. There was also loss of topsoil and deposition of river gravel on an adjacent cornfield. Topsoil carried from the field during the June 73 flood was deposited in downstream wellfields causing pollution of the Great Barrington water supply.

4. DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

The project consists of the construction of a stone-protected deflector dike approximately 280 feet in length, along the left (facing downstream) bank of the river. The dike is constructed of a 3 foot depth of stone weighing between 200 and 600 pounds. The stone is placed on one foot of gravel bedding which in-turn is placed on a compacted random fill base.

5. PROTECTION PROVIDED

The stone-protected deflector dike will prevent further erosion of the riverbank at the bend and eliminate the short-cutting of the river across the fields adjacent to Route 71. The dike will also reduce the downstream turbidity and siltation produced by the eroding river bank.

6. CONSTRUCTION HISTORY

Construction of this bank protection project was initiated in October 1975 and was completed in June 1976. The project was constructed by Almag Construction, Inc. of Valley Falls, New York. The Federal cost of the project was approximately \$22,000.

7. PLANS

A reduced size set of drawings showing the project as actually constructed is included as Appendix D.

SECTION II

LOCAL COOPERATION REQUIREMENTS

8. FLOOD CONTROL ACTS

Section 14 of the 1946 Flood Control Act, as amended, provides that no money appropriated under authority of this Act shall be expended on the construction of any project until States, political subdivisions, thereof, or other responsible local agencies have provided written assurances to the Army that they will:

(a) Provide without cost to the United States all lands, easements, rights-of-way, utility relocations, land alterations, and highway or highway bridge construction and alterations necessary for project construction.

(b) Hold and save the Government free from damages due to the construction and subsequent maintenance of the project, except for damages attributable to the fault or negligence of the United States or its contractors.

(c) Maintain and operate the project after completion without cost to the United States in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Army.

(d) Assume full responsibility for all project costs in excess of the Federal cost limitation of \$250,000.

(e) Prevent future encroachment which might interfere with the proper functioning of the project.

9. ASSURANCES

On 16 October 1974, the State of New York, executed the Assurances described above. A copy of the formal assurances is included as Appendix B.

SECTION III

RIVERBANK PROTECTION WORK

10. DESCRIPTION

The riverbank protection work accomplished by the Corps of Engineers consists of minor riverbank excavation and clearing, and the placement of a three foot layer of stone slope protection on a layer of gravel bedding at least one foot thick. Approximately 280 feet of riverbank was protected in this manner. The stone protection has a side slope of one (1) vertical on two (2) horizontal.

11. MAINTENANCE

Paragraph 208.10(g)(1) of the prescribed regulations sets forth rules for the maintenance of channels and floodways. These rules are quoted below, followed by brief comments on the particular applicability of these rules to the Green River project.

"Channels and floodways.- (1) Maintenance. - Periodic inspections of improved channels and floodways shall be made by the Superintendent to be certain that:

"(1) The channel or floodway is clear of debris, weeds, and wild growth."

All debris and growth which tend to restrict the channel shall be removed promptly.

"(ii) The channel or floodway is not being restricted by the depositing of waste materials, building of unauthorized structures or other encroachments."

Dumping of waste materials or any types of encroachment on the channel shall be prohibited and prompt steps shall be taken to remove or have removed any such encroachments.

"(iii) The capacity of the channel or floodway is not being reduced by the formation of shoals."

Shoal areas should be removed but care should be exercised that slopes of the channel and existing banks are not undercut. Existence of shoal areas will be apparent from inspections during time of low flow.

"(iv) Banks are not being damaged by rain or wave wash, and that no sloughing of bank has occurred."

Banks damaged by rain or wave wash or sloughing shall be repaired promptly, using bankrun gravel and rock similar to that used in their original construction.

"(v) Riprap sections and deflection dikes and walls are in good condition."

Rockfill slope protection must be maintained in good condition to resist erosion. Any loss of rock due to slides, erosion or vandalism must be promptly replaced. Periodic checks should be made of the stone slope protection, movement or loss of stone, and prompt corrective action taken.

"(vi) Approach and egress channels adjacent to the improved channel or floodway are sufficiently clear of obstructions and debris to permit proper functioning of the project works."

Such inspection shall be made at intervals not to exceed 90 days. Immediate steps will be taken to remedy any adverse conditions disclosed by such inspections. Measures will be taken by the Superintendent to promote the growth of grass on bank slopes and earth deflection dikes. The Superintendent shall provide for periodic repair and cleaning of debris basins, check dams, and related structures as may be necessary.

12. OPERATION

Paragraph 208.10(g)(2) of the prescribed regulations gives rules for operation of channels and floodways. These rules which are quoted below are self-explanatory and require no amplification with regard to the project except that the protective works involve only one riverbank.

"(2) Operation.-- Both banks of the channel shall be patrolled during periods of high water, and measures shall be taken to protect those reaches being attacked by the current or by wave wash. Appropriate measures shall be taken to prevent the formation of jams of ice or debris. Large objects which become lodged against the bank shall be removed. The improved channel or floodway shall be thoroughly inspected immediately following each major high water period. As soon as practicable thereafter, all snags and other debris shall be removed and all damage to banks, riprap, deflection dikes and walls, drainage outlets, or other flood control structures repaired."

SECTION IV

GENERAL REGULATIONS

13. PURPOSE OF THIS MANUAL.

The purpose of this Manual is to present detailed information to be used as a guide in complying with "Flood Control Regulations - Maintenance and Operation of Flood Control Works" as approved by the Acting Secretary of War on 9 August 1944, and published in this volume as Appendix A. In executing assurances of local cooperation, the Town has agreed to maintain and operate the completed works in accordance with those regulations. The regulations are intended to cover all local protection projects constructed by the Department throughout the United States, are general in nature, and obviously cannot give detailed instructions for the maintenance and operation of a specific project. The details set forth in this Manual for maintenance and operation of the Green River project are intended to supplement the regulations to permit obtaining all the benefits and protection against floods for which the project was designed. Failure to maintain and operate the project as required by the regulations and as detailed herein can cause severe property losses and loss of life and can result in an irreparable loss of confidence in the flood protection system by citizens who have invested their funds on the basis of the protection which it provides.

14. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Paragraph 208.10 (a) of the regulations prescribed by the Secretary of War gives general rules for the maintenance and operation of structures and facilities constructed by the United States for local flood protection. Applicable portions are quoted below to avoid the necessity for cross reference and are further defined by remarks under each quotation.

"(1) The structures and facilities constructed by the United States for local flood protection shall be continuously maintained in such a manner and operated at such times and for such periods as may be necessary to obtain the maximum benefits."

These requirements cannot be overstressed, and the Town authorities must take adequate provisions for funds, personnel, equipment, and materials to allow for the proper maintenance and operation of the flood protective works.

"(2) The State, political subdivision thereof, or other responsible local agency, which furnished assurance that it will maintain and operate flood control works in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary of War, as required by law, shall appoint

a permanent committee consisting of or headed by an official hereinafter called the 'Superintendent,' who shall be responsible for the development and maintenance of, and directly in charge of, an organization responsible for the efficient operation and maintenance of all the structures and facilities during flood periods and for continuous inspection and maintenance of the project works during the periods of low water, all without cost to the United States."

The committee should be composed of competent members, preferably men experienced in engineering or construction work of a nature similar to the flood protection works. The committee must be given broad authority to carry out its responsibilities. The name, address, and office and home telephone numbers of the Superintendent, and any changes thereof, shall be promptly furnished the Division Engineer.

"(3) A reserve supply of materials needed during a flood emergency shall be kept on hand at all times."

Approximately 200 sand bags and tools, such as picks and shovels, for five men should be obtained and held in reserve to meet any ordinary emergency that may occur during flood periods. Borrow pits for embankment materials should be secured and sources of where to obtain additional supplies of materials, tools, and equipment should be well established in order that these articles can be obtained quickly in case of an emergency.

"(4) No encroachment or trespass which will adversely affect the efficient operation or maintenance of the project works shall be permitted upon the rights-of-way for the protective facilities."

The disposal of rubbish, erection of fences, or barriers, or any form of trespassing on the project shall be prohibited.

"(5) No improvement shall be passed over, under, or through the walls, levees, improved channels or floodways, nor shall any excavation or construction be permitted within the limits of the project right-of-way, nor shall any change be made in any feature of the works without prior determination by the District Engineer of the War Department or his authorized representatives that such improvement, excavation, construction, or alteration will not adversely affect the functioning of the protective facilities. Such improvements or alterations as may be found to be desirable and permissible under the above determination shall be constructed in accordance with the standard engineering practice. Advice regarding the effect of proposed improvements or alterations on the functioning of the project and information concerning methods of construction acceptable under standard engineering practice shall be

obtained from the District Engineer or, if otherwise obtained, shall be submitted for his approval. Drawings or prints showing such improvements or alterations as finally constructed shall be furnished the District Engineer after completion of the work."

Any contemplated improvements or alterations as outlined above must be submitted to the U.S. Army Engineer Division, Waltham, Massachusetts, and the approval of the Division Engineer obtained prior to the Town authorizing the work. All requests for approval shall be in writing and complete drawings in duplicate, one set of which shall be in reproducible form, must be submitted along with a full description of the work intended. The Town will be held responsible for obtaining prior approval from the Corps of Engineers for any improvements or alterations proposed by itself, private parties or any public parties. The Town shall furnish the Division Engineer as-built drawings, in duplicate, of the completed work.

"(6) It shall be the duty of the Superintendent to submit a semi-annual report to the District Engineer covering inspection, maintenance, and operation of the protective works."

See paragraph 17 of this Manual for instructions on submitting reports.

"(7) The District Engineer or his authorized representatives shall have access at all times to all portions of the protective works."

The Division Engineer or his representatives will make periodic inspections of the protective works to determine if the project is being properly maintained and operated by the Town.

"(8) Maintenance measures or repairs which the District Engineer deems necessary shall be promptly taken or made."

The Town should maintain the facilities and keep them in good repair and not wait for the Division Engineer to call such matters to its attention. Upon request, the Division Office will advise the Town how to make any major repairs to the facilities.

"(9) Appropriate measures shall be taken by local authorities to insure that the activities of all local organizations operating public or private facilities connected with the protective works are coordinated with those of the Superintendent's organization during flood periods."

The Town should formulate plans and negotiate agreements with local organizations and companies, who are operating facilities connected with the protective works, to insure that their activities will be properly coordinated with the Superintendent's organization during flood periods.

"(10) The War Department will furnish local interests with an Operation and Maintenance Manual for each completed project, or separate useful part thereof, to assist them in carrying out their obligations under these regulations."

The flood control committee should familiarize itself with the contents of this manual. The Town authorities are encouraged to call on the Division Office of the Corps of Engineers for any additional advice or instructions required by them in carrying out the Town's obligations for maintaining and operating the flood protection facilities.

15. MAINTENANCE.

a. The work "maintenance" as used in this manual applies to the upkeep, repair and care of the work constructed by the United States and turned over to the Town of Hillside, New York. If the work is neglected there will be deterioration and possible failure in flood time when there is dire need of dependable protection.

b. Satisfactory and dependable operation depends on constant maintenance. The organization that performs maintenance must be familiar with various parts of the system and will be in a position to use them effectively in time of stress.

c. Maintenance includes regular inspection of the entire system. The purpose of an inspection is to detect any deterioration or faulty operation that indicates a need for repair or replacement.

d. Each of the major features of the project is discussed separately. Particular emphasis is placed on those points which, based on experience with special projects features, require special attention.

16. OPERATION.

a. Operation in this manual refers to the actual use of the various features of the protection works during flood periods. It is intended that the procedure outlined herein will be sufficient to insure protection from floods to the design stage. However, advice relative to operation may be obtained at any time from the Engineering Division of the New England Division Office.

b. When abnormal river flows and stages are expected it is important that the Superintendent make immediate decisions and take prompt action and that he have the authority to carry out his decisions.

c. To insure correct operation it is essential that at least one person (preferably 2 or 3) be familiar with all phases of the flood protection works, know just what supplies and transport are on hand, and know what men and tools can be mobilized for the patrolling and repair work.

d. It will be to the advantage of the Town to negotiate agreements with private owners and companies to operate and maintain project features that are directly related to facilities and property of those parties. However, the Corps of Engineers will look only to the Town for maintenance and operation of the project since the Town executed assurances of local cooperation.

17. REPORTS.

a. The regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Army call for semi-annual reports to be submitted by the Superintendent to the Division Engineer, covering inspection, maintenance and operation. Inspection of the flood protective facilities shall be made immediately prior to flood seasons, immediately following floods, and otherwise at intervals not exceeding 90 days as required by the regulations.

b. To assist the Superintendent in making his inspection and reports, sample forms have been prepared and are included in Appendix C. The Superintendent shall have additional copies printed for use in submitting his reports.

c. The semi-annual reports shall be submitted in triplicate to the Division Engineer each February and August. The reports will be submitted in letter form with copies of the inspection forms covering the inspections made during the period of the report. The reports shall cover the following points:

(1) A description of the maintenance work performed in the preceding six months.

(2) The number and classification of men working on maintenance, regularly and intermittently.

(3) Description of any work performed by contract on the repair or improvement of the project.

(4) Description of use or operation of the system during the period being reported.

(5) Suggestions relative to public cooperation and comments concerning public sentiment on the protection obtained are considered pertinent and desirable data for inclusion in the report, but such data are not required.

APPENDIX A

REGULATIONS PRESCRIBED BY THE
SECRETARY OF WAR

TITLE 33—NAVIGATION AND NAVIGABLE WATERS

Chapter II—Corps of Engineers, War Department

PART 208—FLOOD CONTROL REGULATIONS MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF FLOOD CONTROL WORKS

Pursuant to the provisions of section 3 of the Act of Congress approved June 22, 1936, as amended and supplemented (49 Stat. 1671; 50 Stat. 877; and 53 Stat. 638; 33 U. S. C. 701c; 701c-1), the following regulations are hereby prescribed to govern the maintenance and operation of flood control works:

§ 208.10 *Local flood protection works; maintenance and operation of structures and facilities*—(a) *General.* (1) The structures and facilities constructed by the United States for local flood protection shall be continuously maintained in such a manner and operated at such times and for such periods as may be necessary to obtain the maximum benefits.

(2) The State, political subdivision thereof, or other responsible local agency, which furnished assurance that it will maintain and operate flood control works in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary of War, as required by law, shall appoint a permanent committee consisting of or headed by an official hereinafter called the "Superintendent," who shall be responsible for the development and maintenance of, and directly in charge of, an organization responsible for the efficient operation and maintenance of all of the structures and facilities during flood periods and for continuous inspection and maintenance of the project works during periods of low water, all without cost to the United States.

(3) A reserve supply of materials needed during a flood emergency shall be kept on hand at all times.

(4) No encroachment or trespass which will adversely affect the efficient operation or maintenance of the project works shall be permitted upon the right-of-way for the protective facilities.

(5) No improvement shall be passed over, under, or through the walls, levees, improved channels or floodways, nor shall any excavation or construction be permitted within the limits of the project right-of-way, nor shall any change be made in any feature of the works without prior determination by the District Engineer of the War Department or his authorized representative that such improvement, excavation, construction, or alteration will not adversely affect the functioning of the protective facilities. Such improvements or alterations as may be found to be desirable and permissible under the above determination shall be constructed in accordance with standard engineering practice. Advice regarding the effect of proposed improvements or alterations on the functioning of the project and information concerning methods of construction acceptable under standard engineering practice shall be obtained from the District Engineer or, if otherwise obtained, shall be submitted for his approval. Drawings or prints showing such improvements or alterations as finally constructed shall be furnished the District Engineer after completion of the work.

(6) It shall be the duty of the superintendent to submit a semiannual report to the District Engineer covering inspection, maintenance, and operation of the protective works.

(7) The District Engineer or his authorized representatives shall have access at all times to all portions of the protective works.

(8) Maintenance measures or repairs which the District Engineer deems necessary shall be promptly taken or made.

(9) Appropriate measures shall be taken by local authorities to insure that the activities of all local organizations operating public or private facilities connected with the protective works are coordinated with those of the Superintendent's organization during flood periods.

(10) The War Department will furnish local interests with an Operation and Maintenance Manual for each completed project, or separate useful part thereof, to assist them in carrying out their obligations under these regulations.

(b) *Levees*—(1) *Maintenance.* The Superintendent shall provide at all times such maintenance as may be required to insure serviceability of the structures in times of flood. Measures shall be taken to promote the growth of sod, exterminate burrowing animals, and to provide for routine mowing of the grass and weeds, removal of wild growth and drift deposits, and repair of damage caused by erosion or other forces. Where practicable, measures shall be taken to retard bank erosion by planting of willows or other suitable growth on areas riverward of the levees. Periodic inspections shall be made by the Superintendent to insure that the above maintenance measures are being effectively carried out and, further, to be certain that:

(i) No unusual settlement, sloughing, or material loss of grade or levee cross section has taken place;

(ii) No caving has occurred on either the land side or the river side of the levee which might affect the stability of the levee section;

(iii) No seepage, saturated areas, or sand boils are occurring;

(iv) Toe drainage systems and pressure relief wells are in good working condition, and that such facilities are not becoming clogged;

(v) Drains through the levees and gates on said drains are in good working condition;

(vi) No revetment work or riprap has been displaced, washed out, or removed;

(vii) No action is being taken; such as burning grass and weeds during inappropriate seasons, which will retard or destroy the growth of sod;

(viii) Access roads to and on the levee are being properly maintained;

(ix) Cattle guards and gates are in good condition;

(x) Crown of levee is shaped so as to drain readily, and roadway thereon, if any, is well shaped and maintained;

(xi) There is no unauthorized grazing or vehicular traffic on the levees;

(xii) Encroachments are not being made on the levee right-of-way which might endanger the structure or hinder its proper and efficient functioning during times of emergency.

Such inspections shall be made immediately prior to the beginning of the flood season; immediately following each major high water period, and otherwise at intervals not exceeding 90 days; and such intermediate times as may be necessary to insure the best possible care of

the levee. Immediate steps will be taken to correct dangerous conditions disclosed by such inspections. Regular maintenance repair measures shall be accomplished during the appropriate season as scheduled by the Superintendent.

(2) *Operation.* During flood periods the levee shall be patrolled continuously to locate possible sand boils or unusual wetness of the landward slope and to be certain that:

(i) There are no indications of slides or sloughs developing;

(ii) Wave wash or scouring action is not occurring;

(iii) No low reaches of levee exist which may be overtopped;

(iv) No other conditions exist which might endanger the structure.

Appropriate advance measures will be taken to insure the availability of adequate labor and materials to meet all contingencies. Immediate steps will be taken to control any condition which endangers the levee and to repair the damaged section.

(c) *Flood walls*—(1) *Maintenance.* Periodic inspections shall be made by the Superintendent to be certain that:

(i) No seepage, saturated areas, or sand boils are occurring;

(ii) No undue settlement has occurred which affects the stability of the wall or its water tightness;

(iii) No trees exist, the roots of which might extend under the wall and offer accelerated seepage paths;

(iv) The concrete has not undergone cracking, chipping, or breaking to an extent which might affect the stability of the wall or its water tightness;

(v) There are no encroachments upon the right-of-way which might endanger the structure or hinder its functioning in time of flood;

(vi) Care is being exercised to prevent accumulation of trash and debris adjacent to walls, and to insure that no fires are being built near them;

(vii) No bank caving conditions exist riverward of the wall which might endanger its stability;

(viii) Toe drainage systems and pressure relief wells are in good working condition, and that such facilities are not becoming clogged.

Such inspections shall be made immediately prior to the beginning of the flood season, immediately following each major high water period, and otherwise at intervals not exceeding 90 days. Measures to eliminate encroachments and effect repairs found necessary by such inspections shall be undertaken immediately. All repairs shall be accomplished by methods acceptable in standard engineering practice.

(2) *Operation.* Continuous patrol of the wall shall be maintained during flood periods to locate possible leakage at masonry joints or seepage underneath the wall. Floating plant or boats will not be allowed to lie against or tie up to the wall. Should it become necessary during a flood emergency to pass anchor cables over the wall, adequate measures shall be taken to protect the concrete and construction joints. Immediate steps shall be taken to correct any condition which endangers the stability of the wall.

(d) *Drainage structures*—(1) *Maintenance.* Adequate measures shall be taken to insure that inlet and outlet channels are kept open and that trash, drift, or debris is not allowed to accumulate near drainage structures. Flap gates and manually operated gates and valves on

drainage structures shall be examined, oiled, and trial operated at least once every 90 days. Where drainage structures are provided with stop log or other emergency closures, the condition of the equipment and its housing shall be inspected regularly and a trial installation of the emergency closure shall be made at least once each year. Periodic inspections shall be made by the Superintendent to be certain that:

(i) Pipes, gates, operating mechanism, riprap, and headwalls are in good condition;

(ii) Inlet and outlet channels are open;

(iii) Care is being exercised to prevent the accumulation of trash and debris near the structures and that no fires are being built near bituminous coated pipes;

(iv) Erosion is not occurring adjacent to the structure which might endanger its water tightness or stability.

Immediate steps will be taken to repair damage, replace missing or broken parts, or remedy adverse conditions disclosed by such inspections.

(2) *Operation.* Whenever high water conditions impend, all gates will be inspected a short time before water reaches the invert of the pipe and any object which might prevent closure of the gate shall be removed. Automatic gates shall be closely observed until it has been ascertained that they are securely closed. Manually operated gates and valves shall be closed as necessary to prevent inflow of flood water. All drainage structures in levees shall be inspected frequently during floods to ascertain whether seepage is taking place along the lines of their contact with the embankment. Immediate steps shall be taken to correct any adverse condition.

(c) *Closure structures.*—(1) *Maintenance.* Closure structures for traffic openings shall be inspected by the Superintendent every 90 days to be certain that:

(i) No parts are missing;

(ii) Metal parts are adequately covered with paint;

(iii) All movable parts are in satisfactory working order,

(iv) Proper closure can be made promptly when necessary;

(v) Sufficient materials are on hand for the erection of sand bag closures and that the location of such materials will be readily accessible in times of emergency.

Tools and parts shall not be removed for other use. Trial erections of one or more closure structures shall be made once each year, alternating the structures chosen so that each gate will be erected at least once in each 3-year period. Trial erection of all closure structures shall be made whenever a change is made in key operating personnel. Where railroad operation makes trial erection of a closure structure infeasible, rigorous inspection and drill of operating personnel may be substituted therefor. Trial erection of sand bag closures is not required. Closure materials will be carefully checked prior to and following flood periods, and damaged or missing parts shall be repaired or replaced immediately.

(2) *Operation.* Erection of each movable closure shall be started in sufficient time to permit completion before flood waters reach the top of the structure sill. Information regarding the proper method of erecting each individual closure structure, together with an estimate of the time required by an experienced crew to complete its erection will be given

in the Operation and Maintenance Manual which will be furnished local interests upon completion of the project. Closure structures will be inspected frequently during flood periods to ascertain that no undue leakage is occurring and that drains provided to care for ordinary leakage are functioning properly. Boats or floating plant shall not be allowed to tie up to closure structures or to discharge passengers or cargo over them.

(f) *Pumping plants.*—(1) *Maintenance.* Pumping plants shall be inspected by the Superintendent at intervals not to exceed 30 days during flood seasons and 90 days during off-flood seasons to insure that all equipment is in order for instant use. At regular intervals, proper measures shall be taken to provide for cleaning plant, buildings, and equipment, repainting as necessary, and lubricating all machinery. Adequate supplies of lubricants for all types of machines, fuel for gasoline or diesel powered equipment, and flash lights or lanterns for emergency lighting shall be kept on hand at all times. Telephone service shall be maintained at pumping plants. All equipment, including switch gear, transformers, motors, pumps, valves, and gates shall be trial operated and checked at least once every 90 days. Megger tests of all insulation shall be made whenever wiring has been subjected to undue dampness and otherwise at intervals not to exceed one year. A record shall be kept showing the results of such tests. Wiring disclosed to be in an unsatisfactory condition by such tests shall be brought to a satisfactory condition or shall be promptly replaced. Diesel and gasoline engines shall be started at such intervals and allowed to run for such length of time as may be necessary to insure their serviceability in times of emergency. Only skilled electricians and mechanics shall be employed on tests and repairs. Operating personnel for the plant shall be present during tests. Any equipment removed from the station for repair or replacement shall be returned or replaced as soon as practicable and shall be trial operated after reinstallation. Repairs requiring removal of equipment from the plant shall be made during off-flood seasons insofar as practicable.

(2) *Operation.* Competent operators shall be on duty at pumping plants whenever it appears that necessity for pump operation is imminent. The operator shall thoroughly inspect, trial operate, and place in readiness all plant equipment. The operator shall be familiar with the equipment manufacturers' instructions and drawings and with the "Operating Instructions" for each station. The equipment shall be operated in accordance with the above-mentioned "Operating Instructions" and care shall be exercised that proper lubrication is being supplied all equipment, and that no overheating, undue vibration or noise is occurring. Immediately upon final recession of flood waters, the pumping station shall be thoroughly cleaned, pump house sumps flushed, and equipment thoroughly inspected, oiled and greased. A record or log of pumping plant operation shall be kept for each station, a copy of which shall be furnished the District Engineer following each flood.

(g) *Channels and floodways.*—(1) *Maintenance.* Periodic inspections of improved channels and floodways shall be made by the Superintendent to be certain that:

(i) The channel or floodway is clear of debris, weeds, and wild growth;

(ii) The channel or floodway is not being restricted by the depositing of waste materials, building of unauthorized structures or other encroachments;

(iii) The capacity of the channel or floodway is not being reduced by the formation of shoals;

(iv) Banks are not being damaged by rain or wave wash, and that no sloughing of banks has occurred;

(v) Riprap sections and deflection dikes and walls are in good condition;

(vi) Approach and egress channels adjacent to the improved channel or floodway are sufficiently clear of obstructions and debris to permit proper functioning of the project works.

Such inspections shall be made prior to the beginning of the flood season and otherwise at intervals not to exceed 90 days. Immediate steps will be taken to remedy any adverse conditions disclosed by such inspections. Measures will be taken by the Superintendent to promote the growth of grass on bank slopes and earth deflection dikes. The Superintendent shall provide for periodic repair and cleaning of debris basins, check dams, and related structures as may be necessary.

(2) *Operation.* Both banks of the channel shall be patrolled during periods of high water, and measures shall be taken to protect those reaches being attacked by the current or by wave wash. Appropriate measures shall be taken to prevent the formation of jams of ice or debris. Large objects which become lodged against the bank shall be removed. The improved channel or floodway shall be thoroughly inspected immediately following each major high water period. As soon as practicable thereafter, all snags and other debris shall be removed and all damage to banks, riprap, deflection dikes and walls, drainage outlets, or other flood control structures repaired.

(h) *Miscellaneous facilities.*—(1) *Maintenance.* Miscellaneous structures and facilities constructed as a part of the protective works and other structures and facilities which function as a part of, or affect the efficient functioning of the protective works, shall be periodically inspected by the Superintendent and appropriate maintenance measures taken. Damaged or unserviceable parts shall be repaired or replaced without delay. Areas used for ponding in connection with pumping plants or for temporary storage of interior run-off during flood periods shall not be allowed to become filled with silt, debris, or dumped material. The Superintendent shall take proper steps to prevent restriction of bridge openings and, where practicable, shall provide for temporary raising during floods of bridges which restrict channel capacities during high flows.

(2) *Operation.* Miscellaneous facilities shall be operated to prevent or reduce flooding during periods of high water. Those facilities constructed as a part of the protective works shall not be used for purposes other than flood protection without approval of the District Engineer unless designed therefor. (49 Stat. 1571, 50 Stat. 877; and 55 Stat. 638; 33 U.S.C. 701c; 701c-1) (Regs. 9 August 1944, CE SPEWF)

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J. A. ULIO,
Major General,
The Adjutant General.

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APPENDIX B

ASSURANCES OF LOCAL COOPERATION

AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
AND
THE STATE OF NEW YORK

FOR LOCAL COOPERATION AT
THE GREEN RIVER EMERGENCY BANK PROTECTION PROJECT
ALFORD, MASSACHUSETTS/HILLSDALE, NEW YORK

THIS AGREEMENT entered into this 16 day of October, 1974
by and between the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (hereinafter called the "Govern-
ment") represented by the Contracting Officer executing this agreement and
the STATE OF NEW YORK (hereinafter called the "State"), acting by and through
its Commission of Environmental Conservation,

WITNESSETH THAT:

WHEREAS, construction of the emergency bank protection project on the
Green River, Hillsdale, New York, comprising a 200-foot long earth "deflector"
dike at the sharp bend of the Green River adjacent to the Massachusetts-
New York State Line (hereinafter called the "Project") was approved by the
Chief of Engineers on 5 June 1974 under authority granted by Section 14 of
the 1946 Flood Control Act, Public Law 79-256, 33 USCA 701r as amended by
Section 27 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1974, Public Law 93-251,
approved 7 March 1974, and

WHEREAS, the State hereby represents that it has the authority and
capability to furnish the non-Federal cooperation required by the Federal
legislation authorizing the Project and by other applicable law.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

1. The State agrees that, if the Government shall commence con-
struction of the emergency bank protection project on the Green River,
Hillsdale, New York, substantially in accordance with the approval of
the Chief of Engineers under authority of Section 14 of the 1946 Flood
Control Act, Public Law 79-256, as amended, the State shall in con-
sideration of the Government commencing construction of such Project

fulfill the requirements of non-Federal cooperation in such legislation,
to wit:

a. Provide without cost to the United States all lands, easements, rights-of-way, utility relocations and alterations necessary for construction.

b. Hold and save the United States free from damages due to the construction works and adjust all claims concerning water rights, except for damages attributable to the fault or negligence of the United States or its contractors.

c. Maintain and operate the project after completion without cost to the United States in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Army.

d. Assume full responsibility for all project costs in excess of the Federal cost limitation of \$250,000.

e. Prevent future encroachment which might interfere with proper functioning of the project.

2. The State further agrees to comply with requirements of non-Federal cooperation specified in Sections 210 and 305 of Public Law 91-646, 91st Congress, S.1, approved 2 January 1971, known as the "Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970," to wit:

a. Fair and reasonable relocation payments and assistance shall be provided to or for displaced persons, as are required to be provided by a Federal agency under Sections 202, 203, and 204 of Public Law 91-646;

b. Relocation assistance programs offering the services described in Section 205 of Public Law 91-646 shall be provided to such displaced persons;

c. Within a reasonable period of time prior to displacement, decent, safe, and sanitary replacement dwellings will be available to displaced persons in accordance with Sections 205 (c) (3) of Public Law 91-646;

d. In acquiring real property the State will be guided, to the greatest extent possible under its laws, by the land acquisition policies in Sections 301 and the provisions of Section 302 of Public Law 91-646; and

e. Property owners will be paid or reimbursed for necessary expenses as specified in Sections 303 and 304 of Public Law 91-646.

3. The State hereby gives the Government a right to enter upon, at reasonable times and in a reasonable manner, lands which the State owns or controls, for access to the Project for the purpose of inspection, and for the purpose of operation, repairing and maintaining the Project, if such inspection shows that the State for any reason is failing to repair and maintain the Project in accordance with the assurances hereunder and has persisted in such failure after a reasonable notice in writing by the Government delivered to State officials. No operation, repair and maintenance by the Government in such event shall operate to relieve the State of responsibility to meet its obligations as set forth in paragraph 1 of this agreement, or to preclude the Government from pursuing any other remedy at law or equity.

4. The State furnishes as part of this agreement an assurance (Exhibit A) that it will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 241) and Department of Defense Directive 5500.11 issued pursuant thereto and published in Part 300 of Title 32, Code of Federal Regulations.

5. This agreement is subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Army.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this contract as of the day and year first above written.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

By *John H. Mason*
JOHN H. MASON
Colonel, Corps of Engineers
Division Engineer
Contracting Officer

DATE: 1 April 1975

APPROVED:

E. Gowen 4/23/75
E. GOWEN
Acting Director of Real Estate

For the Secretary of the Army

STATE OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
CONSERVATION

By *J. P. Byrne*
Commissioner

APPROVED
LOUIS J. ...

APPROVED
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I have reviewed the foregoing agreement and have considered the effect of Section 221 of the Flood Control Act of 1970, Public Law 91-611, and I am satisfied that the State of New York can fully comply with the provisions of said agreement.

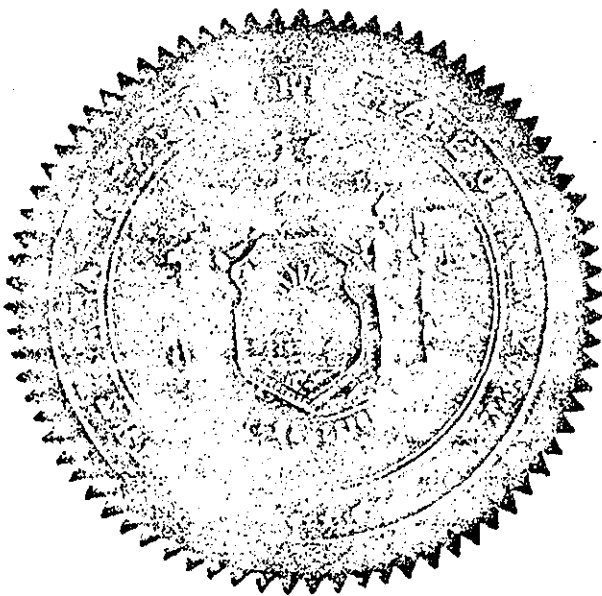
Paul Kessler
Solicitor General

CERTIFICATION

I, John J. Ghezzi, Acting Secretary of the State of New York, certify that I am the/Secretary of the State of New York, that James L. Biggane who signed this agreement on behalf of the State was then the Commissioner of Environmental Conservation, that said agreement was duly signed for and on behalf of the State of New York and that said agreement is within the scope of his statutory powers.

John J. Ghezzi
Acting Secretary of the State of New York

(State Seal)



APPENDIX C

INSPECTION REPORT FORM

LOCAL FLOOD PROTECTION PROJECT INSPECTION REPORT

Project:

Maintaining Agency:

Type Inspection: _____ Semi-Annual Staff _____ 90 Day Interim

River Basin:

Date of Inspection

Feature	Sat	Unsat	Deficiencies
PUMPING STATIONS - STRUCTURES			
INTERIOR			
EXTERIOR			
PUMPS - MOTORS - ENGINES			
TRIAL OPERATED			
GENERAL CONDITION			
POWER SOURCE			
INSULATION TESTS			
METAL INTAKES/OUTLETS			
GATE VALVES			
GATES - DRAINAGE STRUCTURES			
TRIAL OPERATED			
GENERAL CONDITION			
LUBRICATION			
DIKES - DAMS			
GENERAL CONDITION			
SLOPES/EROSION			
SAND BOILS/CAVING			
TRESPASSING			
SLOPE PROTECTION			
DRAINS			
STOP-LOGS - LOG BOOM			
CONDITION OF LOGS			
AVAILABILITY OF LOGS			
HIGHWAY SLOTS			
STORAGE FACILITIES			
CHANNELS - OUTLET WORKS CHANNEL			
BANKS			
OBSTRUCTION CONTROL			

Feature	Sat	Unsat	Deficiencies
CONCRETE STRUCTURES			
SURFACE			
SETTLEMENT			
JOINTS			
DRAINS			
MISCELLANEOUS			
EMERGENCY OPER. PLAN			
EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT			
SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT			
Inspection Party: Photographs Taken: Remarks & Additional Comments: (Indicate Here Observations, Discussions, Specific Feature Deficiencies, Recommendations and any other pertinent information. Use Continuation Sheet if necessary.)			
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DATE	INSPECTED BY: TYPED NAME & TITLE		SIGNATURE

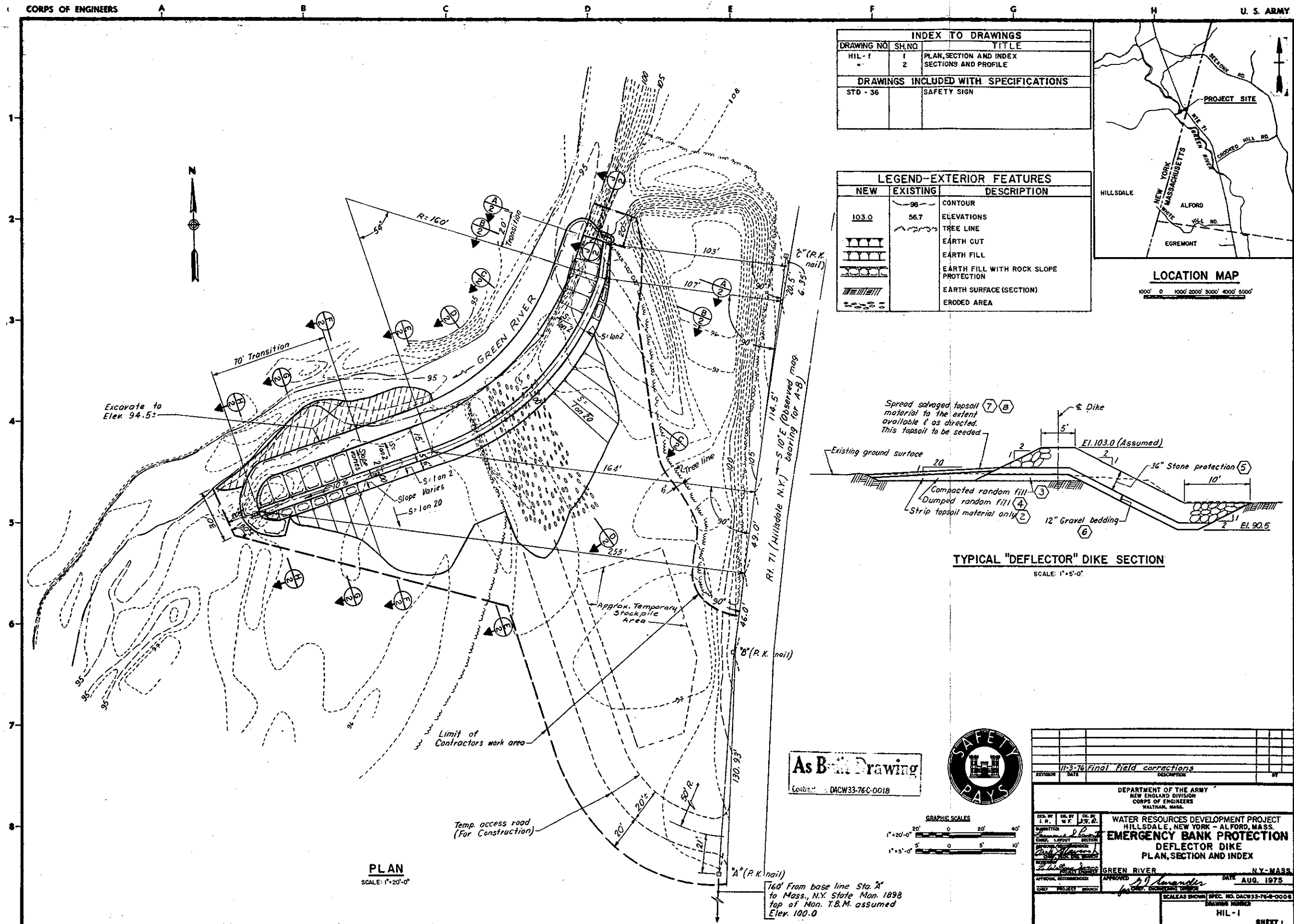
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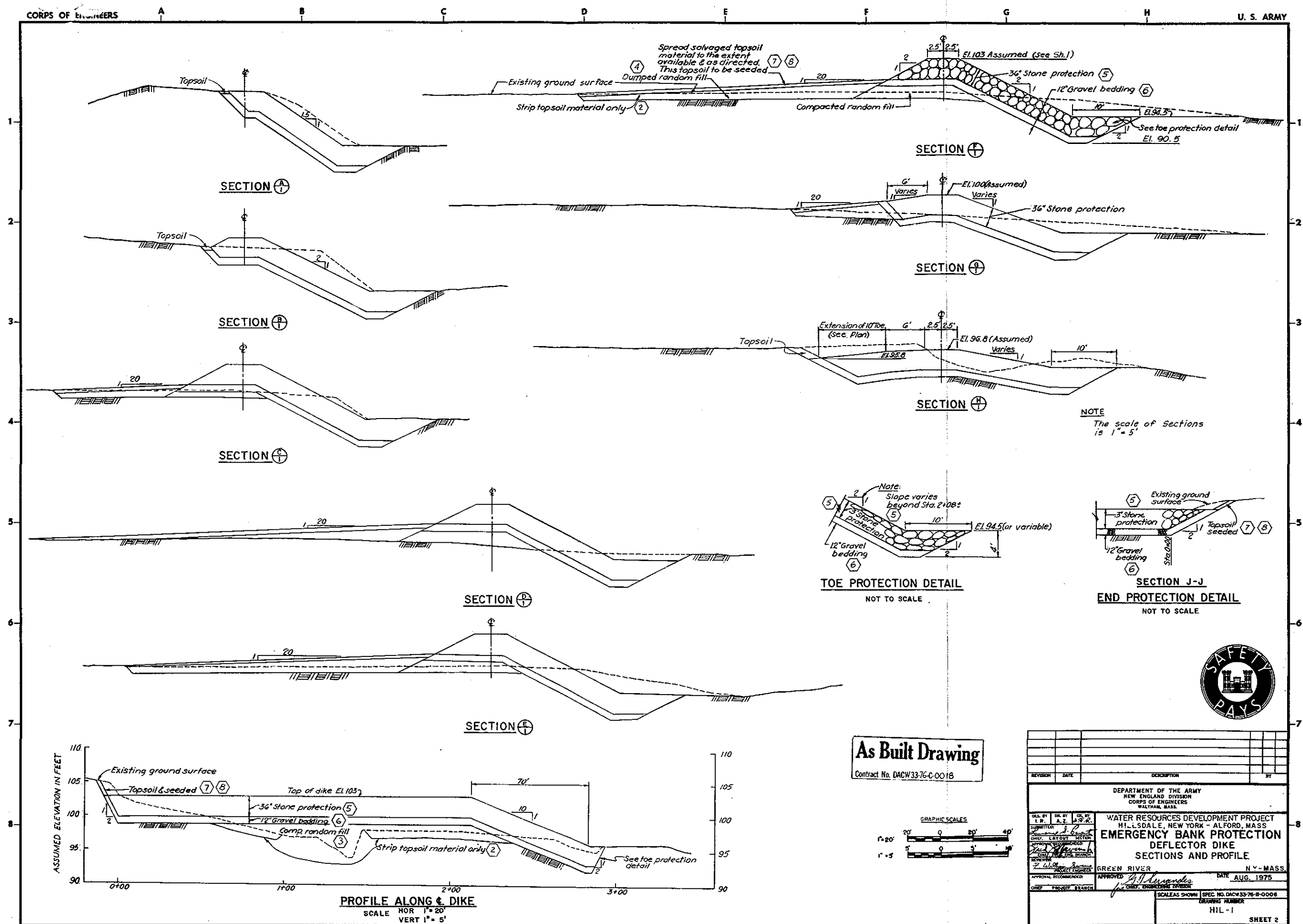
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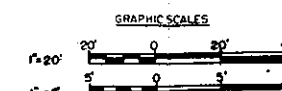
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